the Town Clerk shall invest the same for the benefit of such owner, and shall safely keep the same and from time to time collect the interest thereon and invest for the benefit

of such owner the interest from time to time.

Whenever property has been sold by one Town Clerk for taxes pursuant to law, and such sale has been reported and the deed executed by the successor in office of the Town Clerk who made the sale as aforesaid, such report and such conveyance shall be as valid to all intents and purposes as they would have been if made by the Town Clerk who made the sale. Whenever property has been sold for taxes, pursuant to law, by one Town Clerk and such sale has been reported by the Town Clerk who made the same, but the deed for such property has been executed and delivered by the successor in office of the Town Clerk who made such sale and report as aforesaid, such conveyance shall be as valid to all intents and purposes as it would have been if made by the Town Clerk who made and reported the sale.

Whenever there shall be a default in the payment of taxes on personal property and the Town Clerk shall have distrained or levied upon the same for nonpayment of any taxes due by the owner thereof, before making sale of the property so distrained or levied upon, said Town Clerk shall give notice by advertisement published once a week for two successive weeks prior to the date of sale in a weekly newspaper having general circulation in the town, that he will sell for cash, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the day and at the time and place mentioned in said advertisements, the property therein speciefid, unless on or before the day of sale the entire amount of taxes for which such distraint or levy shall have been made, with the interest thereon, and all costs of making said distraint or levy and advertisement shall be paid. Every Town Clerk who shall sell any personal property levied or distrained upon for taxes, after due advertisement, as herein provided. shall retain out of the proceeds of sale the amount of taxes due from the delinquent on such property sold, for which such distraint or levy shall have been made, with the interest thereon and all costs incurred in making said sale. and shall pay over the surplus, if any, to the owner of the property so levied or distrained upon and sold. All of the provisions of this section in reference to the sale of real property which may be applicable to the sale of personal property shall be in force as to said personal property.

If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of the Act, and the application of such provisions to